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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF  
NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the Notification of Defective Response Abandonment mailed June 6, 2003 (copy attached at Tab A) in the above-identified application. The Notification purports to hold this application abandoned because

“Applicant has failed to properly respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) mailed 09/07/2001 within the time period set therein.”

However, a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements was timely filed; a copy of Applicants' Response is attached at Tab B. Also, attached at Tab C

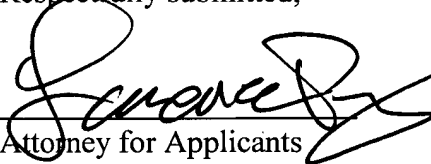
is a copy of Applicants' stamped return-receipt postcard evidencing that the Patent and Trademark Office acknowledged receipt of the Response and Submission of Computer Readable Form on September 25, 2001.

Accordingly, this application should not be held abandoned and prompt designation of the same as pending is respectfully requested.

Any fees required to process this Request may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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The United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495) has made the following determination:

Applicant has failed to properly respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), mailed 09/07/2001 within the time period set therein.

Therefore, the above identified application failed to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495, and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
  - See attached Raw Sequence Listing Error Report.
  - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
    - An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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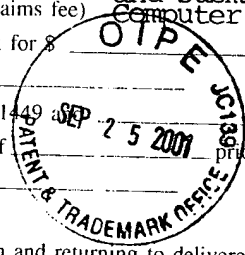
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